State of Hawaii

## FACTSHEET DUPLICATION OF THE APPLICATION FOR ABSENTEE VOTER BALLOT

## ABSENTEE VOTING BY MAIL

- Hawaii Revised Statues §15-2 allows any person who is a registered voter in the State of Hawaii to cast an absentee ballot by mail or in person.
- In order to receive an absentee ballot by mail, a voter must submit an "Application for Absentee Voter Ballot." The application must be mailed by the voter directly to the City/County Clerk, as stated under Hawaii Revised Statutes § 15-4.

Note: This is only the application for the absentee ballot. The actual ballot must be mailed from the City/County Clerk after the application is accepted.

## **DUPLICATION & PRINTING SPECIFICATIONS**

- The "Application for Absentee Voter Ballot" is the form prescribed and approved by the Chief Election Officer and Clerk, under Hawaii Administrative Rules §2-53-4.
- For printing and duplication purposes, follow the guidelines under Hawaii Administrative Rules §2-53-4.1:
  - 1. Application must be 8.5" x 11";
  - 2. Must be printed on white 20 weight bond paper or heavier (70lb. text white wove offset is preferred);
  - 3. May **not** contain a glossy finish;
  - 4. May **not** be printed on newsprint;
  - 5. Must be a one to one (1:1) facsimile of the original form;
  - 6. May **not** be included in, attached to, or affixed to, any campaign or informational literature unrelated to voter registration; and
  - 7. Must be duplicated in its entirety, including all instructions.

## **PHOTOCOPYING**

Absentee voter ballot applications may be photo-copied. If photo-copied, the application form must be photo-copied in its entirety. A facsimile of the form may be submitted to the clerk, provided that the information supplied by the applicant and the applicant's signature shall be original.

Organizations interested in duplicating the Application for Absentee Voter Ballot must obtain approval from the Office of Elections or City/County Clerk prior to distribution.

This Factsheet is intended for informational purposes only and should not be used as an authority on the Hawaii election law and deadlines. Requirements and/or deadlines may change pending changes in legislation. Consult the Hawaii Revised Statues and other sources for more detailed and accurate requirements.

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